Sherpa Fire Information







For Immediate Release Date: June 20, 2016 AM

Sherpa Fire Location: West of Goleta, Santa Barbara County, Los Padres National Forest.

Acres Burned:7,893Structures Threatened:270Containment:54%Structures Destroyed:1Fire Started:June 15, 2016Injuries:5

Cause: Under investigation

Total personnel assigned to the Fire: 1,926

<u>Summary</u>

Last night's winds from the north pushed fire activity into previously burned areas allowing crews to establish and reinforce containment lines.

Weather today will be hotter and drier than Sunday. There is a very high potential for active fire.

Firefighters will continue to work on building and reinforcing containment lines along the north and east sides of the fire and along the Camino Cielo Ridge.

Aggressive aerial operations by both fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters are suppressing the edge of the fire and giving support to ground crews with water and retardant.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has implemented a temporary flight restriction for the airspace around the Sherpa Fire burn zone, including West Goleta and nearby incident command posts. This restriction applies to all manned and unmanned aircraft systems. Drones can pose a safety hazard and delay firefighting aviation operations.

Evacuations:

- Mandatory Evacuation orders: remain in effect for Refugio Canyon, Venadito Canyon, Las Flores Canyon, El Capitan Canyon, El Capitan State Beach, El Capitan Ranch, and Canada de la Destiladera; and the area east of the Refugio burn area up to Calle Lippizana, near the equestrian center.
- Evacuation Warning: is in place for the areas east of El Capitan Canyon to Farren Road; Las Llagas Canyon, Gato Canyon, Las Varas Canyon, Dos Pueblos Canyon, and Eagle Canyon

A Red Flag warning is in effect from through 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 21, 2016.



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